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REMARKS		
This is UNEVALUATED Information		

1. From 22 April to 6 May 1954, the Panzerjaeger Kaserne in Spremberg was occupied by about 2,000 KVP tank troops who wore blue service color. The troops included a recruit unit of about 150 soldiers. Some of the recruits had been inducted in early April.¹
2. On several days during the period of observation, the troops engaged in drill and carbine firing in the barracks area. Tank driving practices were held from Spremberg as far as the Nochten area. Gun fire was heard from this area almost daily. The tanks mostly drove in groups of 3 to 6. T-34/85 and T-34/76s were identified.
3. May-Day celebrations in Spremberg were attended by several groups of 100 KVP each from the Panzerjaeger Kaserne. The troops wore blue spaullets.
4. On 30 April, the KVP quarters in Hutweide and Miederschlag were occupied each by an estimated 350 soldiers. The troops engaged in firing with infantry weapons.²

1. Comment. Special training units for recruits who had been inducted during the last months have also been observed in other KVP posts. The strength estimate is too high.
2. Comment. It is believed that the two installations quarter elements of Mechanized Regiment Marienberg, and, possibly, also other elements of Mechanized Division Dresden.

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